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STATUS REPORT FOR MARCH 1987/harris

REMOVAL SITES:

MYRES PROPERTY Franklin Township/Hunterdon County, NJ Harris

ERRD-RP has earlier removed the bulk chemicals and asbestos associated with the former commercial operations at this site. Dust samples from within the principal remaining work buildings and soil cores from the former site of other small industrial buildings and equipment/tankage show DDT, its degradation products and arsenicals.

The significance of these residuals, as expressed in quantitative risk to human health and the environment, is the objective of a REM investigation now in progress.

Pending the development of this quantitative risk assessment, it appears that the principal potential risk from exposure to pesticide residues remaining on the site is to the family members living and working on the site.

While we can not readily limit access by the family to their work buildings, we can take the practical and prudent step of erecting a farm-land wire fence that would surround the property except for that portion used daily by the family. The type of fence would be selected to demark and discourage transients (hikers, fishermen) without becoming an eye-sore to this country setting (as a standard, high chainlink fence would). We will propose such a measure, and will consult ERRD-NJRA on placement of gates needed for the REM contractors operations.

DUANE MARINE Perth Amboy, NJ

Ulshoefer/Harris

Monitored the final clean-up/removal tasks covered in an administrative order addressed to the responsible parties. The specific objectives of the EPA order were as follows:

- ° Fence repair, locking of gates, supplying EPA with keys;
- ° Cleaning certain tanks and vessels with residual material on walls;
- ° Remove soil from green 250,000 gallon tank containment down to "no visible contamination"; same for area of former railroad spur; and from area toward Kill from Area "A".

During the week of 03/23 to 03/27 Harris acting for the OSC monitored and photo-documented the removal of 150 cubic yards of contaminated soil to achieve the "no visible contamination in all areas listed above. The principal quantity of soil was removed from the 250,000 gallon tank containment area. All shipments were manifested to SCA/Model city.

On 03/30/87 made final tour of site with Bruce Sprague. Soil areas from which visible contamination was removed during week of 03/23 to 03/27 were judged to be properly cleaned. All major concrete surfaces were clean. A film of oil was visible in the 4x6 foot rain puddle in the southwest corner of the 250,000gal. tank containment. (In view of the fact that a significant amount of tarry oil was present in the soil removed from this spot, the film appeared not significant.) Fences and gates were integral. Guard service still in effect. Main gate used for entrance was locked. Key is in ERRD-RP cabinet.